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EGYPT – High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled Trucks

On 3 September 2003, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Egypt of High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled trucks as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$109 million.

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale of 100 M1114 High Mobility Multi-purpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWV), 400 M1113 HMMWVs, 50 M997A2 HMMWV ambulances, spare engines, spare and repair parts, test and tool sets, personnel training and equipment, publications, a U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, Quality Assurance Team, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$109 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

These vehicles will enhance Egypt's force modernization efforts and provide an all-terrain mode of transportation for its ground forces. Fifty of these vehicles will be configured as ambulances. Egypt, which already has the proposed items in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these trucks.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not affect the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractor will be AM General of South Bend, Indiana. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of a Quality Assurance team for a three-month interval, twice annually, to prepare the vehicles for operational use and insure their full mission capability. There will be one contractor representative for a period of two years in Egypt.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

This notice of a potential sale is required by law; it does not mean that the sale has been concluded.